Neighborhood Advisory Group Meeting San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118 November 28, 2007 minutes

6:05 pm- Agenda Item I

• Don Gagliardi welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked them for participating in this revolutionary process.

6:10 pm- Agenda Item II

- Councilman Liccardo explained that there is an upcoming solar panel project. More details to come or contact his office to get on an update list.
- He provided an update on the recent home fire in Japantown. He verified
 that there had been several residents living in this home, some illegally
 and there was one fatality. A nearby church was unharmed. He explained
 the city's renewed commitment in monitoring residential permits and uses
 to prevent this type of tragedy from occurring.

6:20 pm- Agenda Item III

- Don confirmed that each working group leader was present and ready to report on their progress.
- Joan Rivas-Crosby Youth Activities and Gang Abatement, provided a brief update that her group's survey is still in progress and should be ready by the beginning of the year deadline.
- Scott Owens- Street Maintenance, reviewed handouts of neighborhood priorities he received. Don reminded folks that each neighborhood group (NA, SNI, NAC) with a "seat at the table" was eligible to submit a list of 3 concerns. Through a show of hands/discussion, neighborhood leaders were confirmed. McKinley-Bonita currently does not have elected representation. Next steps: Review submissions, write a narrative specific to what the "painpoint" is and the proposed solution. Look at items 11, 12, 13 as a good example to follow. **Saturday, Dec. 15, 9:00 am -12 noon, prioritization meeting. Location TBD**
- Frank Penrose- Park Maintenance, reviewed handout and reported that he had not received any additional comments on the priority list. If anyone had additional comments, he would still accept and include them. Current priorities include: Gardner Community Ctr., Backesto Park, Watson Park, St. James Park, Ryland Pool, Rosemary Garden and Tamien Park. His group needs an updated CIP list from the D3 office. Next steps: Review your submissions, provide a narrative about what is needed for the park, trail, or community center and submit to Frank (penrose964@yahoo.com) by Dec. 8th.

7:20 pm- Agenda Item IV

 Khanh Bui passed around a handout for those in attendance to update/confirm geographical borders of their neighborhood groups.

7:25 pm- Agenda Item V

- Group suggestion to monitor the ratio of low-income housing projects in specific neighborhoods, possible correlation of increased crime activity with high-density low-income housing.
- Councilman Liccardo commented that this is something that the Council is reviewing. Council Meeting December 11, 2007 at 7:00 pm to discuss affordable housing locations.
- Don re-iterated the purpose of this meeting is to provide direct input from the neighborhoods to Councilman Liccardo and thanked the Councilman for being in attendance.

7:30 pm- Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 16, 2008, 6:30-8:00 pm (new time), San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118.

2008 meeting dates tentatively set for the 3rd Wednesday of the month (except February)